Charlotte County Affordable Housing Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

October 22, 2020

Roll Call: The meeting was called to order at 10:00AM by Jim Kelley, Committee Chair. A quorum was present.

Committee Members Present:

Kelley, Jim Banking Industry

Mansfield, Mike Home Building Industry

Hogan, Angela Advocate for Low Income Persons

Lynne Fitzpatrick Real Estate Professional

Tiseo, Comm. Joe Elected Official

Welsh, Lance Real Estate Professional

LeBeau, Joan for Debby Carey Liaison Punta Gorda City Council

Public Comment on Agenda Items:

None

Member Appointments:

Commissioner Joe Tiseo was appointed by the Board of County Commissioners at the October 13, 2020 meeting. Matt Trepal has resigned from the AHAC as he has left his position at Charlotte County and moved out of the area.

Motion to approve Joanna Pohopin and Michael Meagher as new members: Joe Tiseo, Second: Mike Mansfield

Motion Passed

Approval of June 25, 2020 Minutes:

Motion to approve June 25, 2020 minutes: Joe Tiseo, Second: Lance Welsh

Motion Passed

Quarterly Report:

Motion to approve September 2020 Quarterly Report: Joe Tiseo, Second: Mike Mansfield **Motion Passed**

Update on Disposition of Surplus Properties:

Charlotte County Real Estate Services continues to work on deeds and LURA's for all properties approved for transfer by the Board of County Commissioners in September 2020. All documents have been executed and recorded except for the houses going to the Punta Gorda Housing Authority and the two properties going to Community Assisted and Supported Living (CASL).

2020 Local Government Area of Opportunity (LGAO) Recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners:

One application was received by the 9/30/2020 deadline in response to the Request for Applications (RFA) for LGAO funding – Blue Sky Communities, LLC, proposed project – Jacaranda Terrace. The recommendation of the AHAC for LGAO preference to Jacaranda Terrace positions this project at 3 out of 12 for housing tax credit funding by FHFC. Phase I of the project – Jacaranda Place (88 units) is well underway with a closing anticipated in February or March 2021. Jacaranda Place is a partnership between Blue Sky Communities, LLC and CASL, Inc. and will provide housing for the homeless or those suffering with a disabling condition. Residents will have to meet minimum qualifications and will have ongoing counseling/education available.

Motion to approve the 2020 LGAO recommendation to the BCC: Mike Mansfield, Second: Angela Hogan

Motion Passed

Amended Local Housing Assistance Plan (LHAP):

Staff reviewed with the AHAC, Florida Housing Finance Corporation review committee's comments on the submitted draft LHAP for 2020 – 2023. Changes to be made are as follows:

- Strategy E Multi-Family New Construction/Rehabilitation, include in a. language
 pertaining to Charlotte HOME; attach Charlotte HOME supporting documentation as an
 exhibit to h.; add language to h. regarding annual monitoring of multi-family projects; add
 to h. "Items above: d,e,f and g will be determined based on the Developer's proposal and
 Board of County Commission approval".
- Program Details, Section S Change to "No more than 4% Purchase Assistance without Rehab, No more than 5% Owner Occupied Rehab"

Motion to approve re-submittal of LHAP with changes to FHFC: Joe Tiseo, Second: Angela Hogan **Motion Passed**

COVID-19 Financial Assistance and Homelessness Prevention Update:

Charlotte County received \$32.9M in CARES Act Funding – Charlotte County Human Services received 20% of that allocation in addition approximately \$950,000.00 of Coronavirus Relief Funds from FHFC. Twelve local non-profits agencies are helping to take applications for Charlotte CARES funding. The application deadline for assistance is 10/31/2020. To date around 3400 applications have been received and as of 10/19/2021, 1307 households have been served and \$4.5M has been expended. The Eviction Diversion Program has been established and will serve local landlords with tenants whose rent is in arrears. Applications will be accepted from 11/2 - 11/16/2020.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 11:30AM.